

Pool Tables - Fun For The Whole Family

Did you know that the first pool tables made an appearance in nineteenth century horse racing betting- poolrooms? Strange but true.. though at that time the game was known as Billiards and tables were put up there for people to kill time between races. Because the game was set up in 'pool rooms', it was eventually named pool.

In those days pool tables looked a lot different from their present Avatar. They were just ordinary tables where the balls kept rolling off (Didn't they see it coming?!) To handle this problem wooden railings of about 4-6 inches wide were added to the sides and viola! You could shoot pool like never before! Later the table went through further modifications, customizations and improved over the years to evolve into its current form. Though Pool or Billiards as it was known then, has always been seen as a 'bad boys' game, it is today one of the most popular sports across the globe.

If you too, are looking out for a good quality table, settle for nothing less than a solid hard wood with a slate surface. We recommend slate over veneer or wood because it levels perfectly and offers a smooth playing experience. Whether you want a standard size 8 feet X 4 feet table or a tournament 4 1/2 feet 9 feet one remember to check the quality of the surface fabric, which could be either wool or a woolen blend.

Slate tables could burn a hole in your pocket with prices starting from above \$ 950 but nonslate is more affordable hovering around \$350. Again this varies according to the size and the quality of wood and other materials used. To make life easier, try online auctions and stores to get a good price and no-hassle shipping. There are also always great deals going on online, so don't rush into buying one without shopping around first.

Whatever your decision may be for choice of pool table, just remember...it is well worth the investment and can provide you and your family and friends countless hours of fun and should last you a very long time. The only thing you would probably have to be concerned about after vast amounts of use is replacing the pool table felt, and purchasing new pool cues depending on how much use you make of them...other than all of that... get ready to have some fun!

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